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DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES

Food and Drug Administration

[Docket No. 99F-2534]

Ciba Specialty Chemicals Corp.; Filing of Food Additive  
Petition

AGENCY: Food and Drug Administration, HHS.

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: The Food and Drug Administration (FDA) is announcing that Ciba Specialty Chemicals Corp. has filed a petition proposing that the food additive regulations be amended to provide for the safe use of di(n-octyl)phosphite as an extreme pressure-antiwear adjuvant for lubricants intended for incidental contact with food.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:

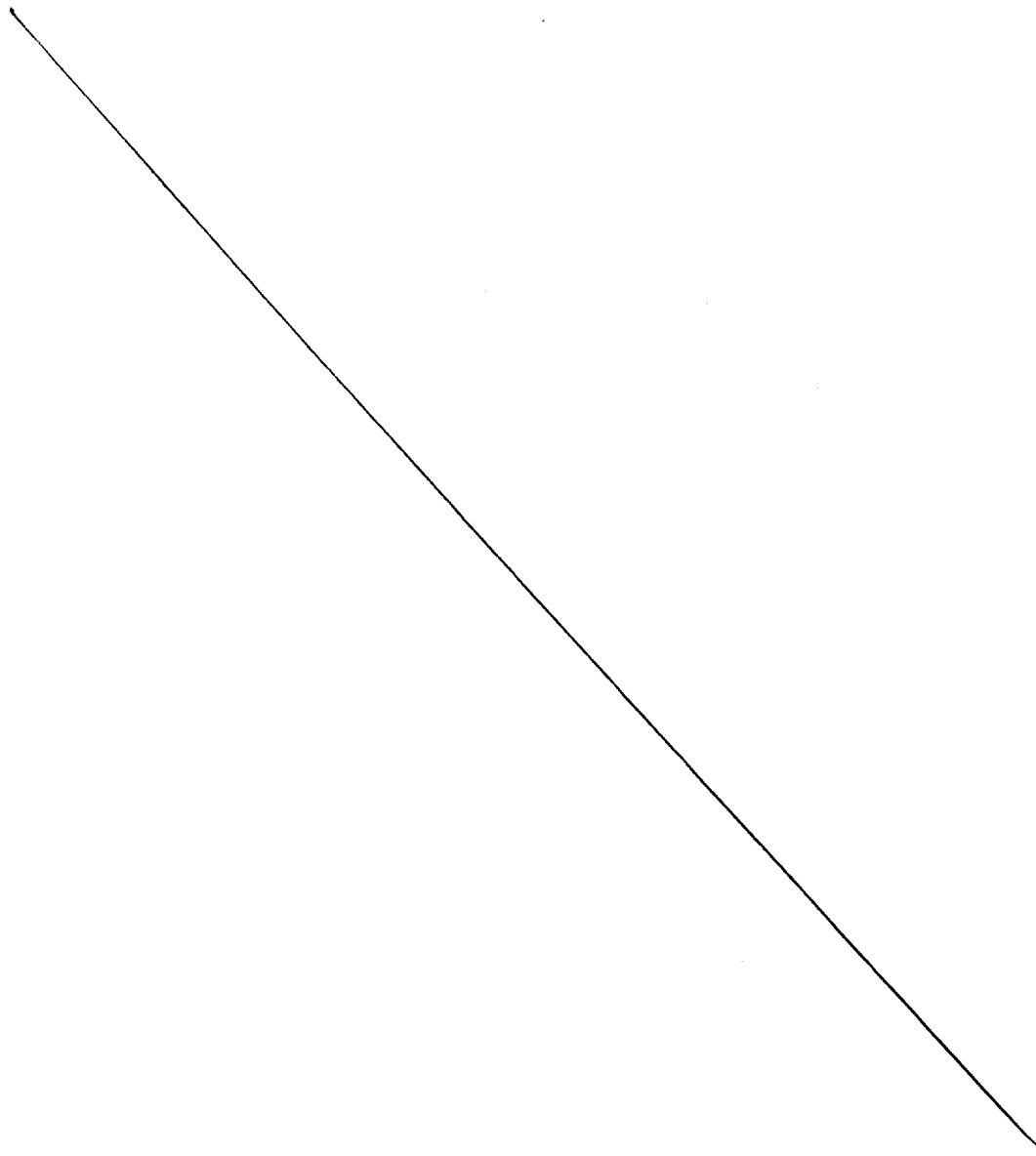
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Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition (HFS-215),  
Food and Drug Administration,  
200 C St. SW.,  
Washington, DC 20204,  
202-418-3081.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Under the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (sec. 409(b)(5) (21 U.S.C. 348(b)(5))), notice is given that a food additive petition (FAP 9B4683) has been filed by Ciba Specialty Chemicals Corp., 540 White Plains Rd., P.O. Box 2005, Tarrytown, NY 10591-9005. The petition proposes to amend the food additive regulations in § 178.3570

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Lubricants with incidental food contact (21 CFR 178.3570) to provide for the safe use of di(n-octyl)phosphite as an extreme pressure-antiwear adjuvant for lubricants intended for incidental contact with food.



The agency has determined under 21 CFR 25.32(j) that this action is of the type that does not individually or cumulatively

have a significant effect on the human environment. Therefore, neither an environmental assessment nor an environmental impact statement is required.

Dated: July 20, 1999  
July 20, 1999 Signed: Laura M. Tarantino

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